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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT A

TO THE COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS AND TRADEMARKS,
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Please enter the following amendments into the above-identified application prior to examination thereof.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 1-43 without prejudice to the patentability of the claims.

Please add the following new claims:

44. A disposable absorbent article comprising:
a stretchable multilayer chassis having a longitudinal axis, a lateral axis, an inner surface and an outer surface; said chassis being stretchable at least laterally; and
an absorbent body having an inner surface and an outer surface, said absorbent body being affixed along at least a portion of its outer surface to the inner surface of said chassis such that the inner surface of the absorbent body lies